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At page 16, line 30 after "weld them together" please add – As shown in Figure 2, the laser beam 1 is transmitted through the first article 5 at surface 7 to the second article 6, and the surface 8 of the second article 6 that have absorbed the laser energy 1 is melted and pressed with the surface of the first article 5 to weld them together.—

Figure 1 is an illustration of a conventional laser welding arrangement. A laser beam1 is transmitted through the first article 2 to the second article 3 containing laser beam absorbing combination, and the surface 4 of the second article 3 that have absorbed the laser energy 1 is melted and pressed with the surface of the first article 2 to weld them together. As shown in Figure 2, the laser beam 1 is transmitted through the first article 5 at surface 7 to the second article 6, and the surface 8 of the second article 6 that have absorbed the laser energy 1 is melted and pressed with the surface of the first article 5 to weld them together. As shown in Fig. 2, two thermoplastic components must have different transmission and absorption coefficients and it is difficult to weld two articles having the same color.